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In re application of:

Laemmle et al.

Application No.: 09/833328

Filed: April 12, 2001

For: COMPOSITION EXHIBITING A
VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR (VWF)
PROTEASE ACTIVITY COMPRISING
A POLYPEPTIDE CHAIN WITH THE
AMINO ACID SEQUENCE
AAGGILHLELLV

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No.

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Technology Center/Art Unit: 1652

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.